

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK IN NEW BRUNSWICK AND NOVA SCOTIA.

And the Happenings in Social Circles of Fredericton, Moncton, Woodstock, Dorchester, St. Stephen, Sussex, Amherst, Calais, Etc.

The young people of St. John have had quite a gay week, but, as is often the case, so many entertainments crowded together are not enjoyable.

On Monday last Miss Grace McMillan entertained a number of her young friends at her father's residence, Germain street, with a pleasant little dance.

On the same evening a most enjoyable euchre party was given by Mr. Fred Fairweather (Sydney street) for his daughter Mabel. There was a sufficient number of guests for five tables, and much interest was manifested in the game, all trying to win the prizes which were to be presented at the finish.

To Miss Lottie Harrison was awarded the first, which was a gold pin, Master Charlie Norton received a similar prize, while Master Mont Drury won the progressive prize of a whisk holder, and Miss Hurd Campbell the booby prize of a box of sweet meats.

On Thursday evening a very delightful ball was given by Dr. and Mrs. F. E. Barker at their residence, Mount Pleasant, on the occasion of the debut of their daughter, Edith, who received her guests in a pretty costume of white silk and lace.

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Last evening Miss Carrie Seely entertained her young friends to a euchre party. About 30 guests were present. Euchre, refreshments and the distribution of prizes tended to pass a very pleasant evening.

The young people's quadrille assembly met at the residence of Mrs. J. D. Shatford, on Thursday last. A very pleasant evening was spent. Light refreshments were provided by the hostess.

The Eclectic club met at the residence of Mrs. John McMillan (Germain street), last evening. This club meets monthly.

Rev. Mr. Hanson, New Denmark, was the guest of Mr. J. A. Hoyt, Crown street, this week.

Mr. C. D. Corey, Halifax, spent a few days in the city this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. King are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Richey, at Chicago.

Miss Elsie Mathew is visiting Dorchester.

Mr. W. G. Lawton has returned home from a trip to Boston and New York.

Mr. W. Stanway, Montreal, spent a few days here this week.

Mr. R. H. Symonds is laid up with severe influenza, at his boarding house, Chiman's Hill.

Mrs. Frances Ferguson is also ill with influenza, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. John Burpee, Mt. Pleasant.

Miss Mabel Sidney Smith left by the C. P. R., on Thursday last, for Kingston, Ont., to be present at the marriage of her friend, Miss Mabel Henderson, of that place.

Mr. Frank Birch, of Montreal, is visiting the city on business.

Miss Margaret Bailey, of Fredericton, is the guest of Mrs. Waters, Princess street.

Master Charlie Norton, from Lennoxville, is the guest of Mrs. W. F. Harrison.

Mr. Simon Jones, accompanied by his two daughters, will very shortly start on a trip to England, and before their return will visit the Holy land.

Mr. and Mrs. Longworth, Charlottetown, were registered at the Royal on Thursday last.

Mr. Herbert L. Jones, M. P. for Digby, was the guest of Senator Boyd for a few days this week, on his way to Ottawa.

Miss Nellie Robinson, returned on Monday from Dorchester, where she has spent the last week.

Invitations have been issued for two euchre parties next week, on Monday evening, by Mrs. G. Sidney Smith, and on Tuesday evening, by Mrs. George McLeod.

Mrs. Walter Magee, St. Andrews, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Eaton, Queen street.

A practice for the opera *Dorothy* was held at the residence of Mrs. Snider, Wentworth, last evening.

Miss Kate Black, of Halifax, is visiting St. John, and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. Schofield, Chipman's Hill.

A pleasant euchre party was given by Mr. C. H. Fairweather, Orange street, on Wednesday last for her young sons, who are spending their vacation in St. John.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Masters returned to the city, Tuesday, from Brockton, Mass., where Mrs. Masters has been visiting for some time.

St. John—North End.

Mr. Henry Hilward has returned home from Fredericton, leaving his young son behind.

Mr. David Lynch has returned to Holy Cross college, Master Frank, owing to a cold, has not yet returned to Buctouche.

A whist party was held at the residence of Mrs. Hayford on Friday.

The Armstrong-Hilly party met again at the Templar hall, on Friday evening.

A certain young lady residing on Paradise row, is desirous of knowing to whom she is indebted for an anonymous New Year's card she received on that day. It is said that it came from an admirer, who made use of the table of measures in expressing his good wishes. The young man evidently had good taste.

Mrs. John Kelly, who spent Christmas week with her children in Buctouche, is here again.

A house warming is promised the young people in the near future.

St. John—West End.

At St. Martins on New Year's afternoon, Mr. George W. Russell, formerly of Carleton but now book keeper with W. J. Davidson & Co., at their Salmon River mills, was united in marriage with Miss Alice H. Marks. The wedding ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's brother, Mr. Whitfield Marks. Mr. Russell has many friends in St. John, particularly at the West End, who wish Mrs. Russell and him every happiness in their married life.

Rev. J. A. Ford, pastor of the Carleton Baptist church, has been ill for some days. Last Sunday morning the service in his church was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Goodspeed.

Miss Laura Peters is visiting friends in Boston. La grippe has made its appearance at the West End and has chosen one of our medical men for its first victim. For the last few days, Dr. White has been confined, though not seriously, to the house with it.

Mr. Stetson has returned to his residence on Lancaster Heights, leaving Mrs. Stetson still in New York, to return as soon as her health will permit.

Senator Lewin, of Lancaster Heights, leaves this week for Montreal. From there he proceeds to

Ottawa, to be present at the opening of parliament. All probably he will be accompanied by Mrs. Richard Lewis, who has been spending the holiday season in St. Martins and Fredericton, returned last Wednesday to the Sacred Heart convent to resume her studies.

The Misses Wilmot, after spending the holidays with their family, have returned to their studies at Wolfville.

FREDERICTON.

[Progress is for sale in Fredericton at the book store of W. T. H. Fenety and by James H. Hawthorne.

JAN. 8.—The sad news of Miss Maud Vavasour's unexpected death caused general regret, for although she had been in poor health for some months, her friends had no apprehension of her danger. On New Year's day she underwent a very critical operation as the only chance of restoring her to health. No danger was anticipated until the early morning of the day she died, when peptonitis set in. All that medical skill and careful nursing could do was of no avail, and Friday evening, a few minutes to five, she passed away, perfectly happy and resigned, surrounded by a number of her friends.

Miss Vavasour was much beloved and highly esteemed in this city. She was bright and cheerful, kind and loving in her disposition, always a true and constant friend, and had a very large circle of friends, who will hear of her death with deep sorrow. She was one of the best musicians in the city, being a graduate of the Boston Conservatory of Music, and gifted with superior talent. She was also a most successful teacher, having her whole heart in her profession, and by her kind manner winning the love of her pupils. Her place will long remain unfilled in Fredericton. The deepest sympathy is felt for her lonely and sorrowing mother, to whom she was a most devoted daughter. She also leaves two brothers, the elder of whom is now residing in New Mexico, the other being Mr. Edwin Vavasour, who is clerk in the Fredericton post office.

The funeral, which took place Sunday afternoon, was one of the largest seen here for a long time. Rev. F. Alexander conducted the service at the Cathedral, and the remains were interred in the old cemetery. The floral offerings were beautiful, among them being an exquisite wreath sent by her loving music pupils.

News arrived here Friday afternoon of the death of Mr. Robert Fitz Randolph, of Digby, N. S., brother of Hon. A. F. Randolph, of this city. The deceased was one of the leading business men of that town. Hon. A. F. Randolph is expected home this week.

Mr. Wm. Murray, accompanied by his two sisters, Misses Maggie and Miriam Murray, came from St. John Saturday evening to attend the funeral of Miss Vavasour. Miss Ida Turner and Mrs. Wm. Wheeler also came.

Mr. Murray returned to St. John, on Monday. Miss Murray is spending a few days at Springhill, at the residence of her brother, Mr. Charles Murray, while Miss Miriam will spend a few weeks with Mrs. Vavasour.

Miss Ida Turner returned to her home in St. John Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Wheeler, who was the guest of Mrs. M. S. Hall, George street, returned home this afternoon.

Tuesday was reception day at Government House,

HALIFAX.

JAN. 8.—The engagement is announced from England of Miss Bertha Sinclair, sister of Mrs. Fred Tremaine, to the Rev. Reginald White. Miss Sinclair has been visiting friends in England for the past year.

Dr. and Mrs. Carlton Jones are both ill with la grippe. Dr. Jones' attack has lasted for some days, and is a very severe one.

Dr. Farrell has also been seized by the self-same gripple. The doctors are kept busy trying to ease the aching bones of their many patients.

Miss May Townsend is out again, after a protracted sojourn in the house.

Mrs. H. P. Almon is the guest of Mrs. Abbott, Hollis street.

The euchre party at Mrs. Sam Brookfield's, last Friday night, was a very jolly affair.

Mrs. J. Brown's 5 o'clock teas and entertainments at the Lorne are very popular.

Mr. McDowell and his talented company leave town on Friday, and will spend a couple of days in Moncton, en route to Quebec.

Mr. Shatford got married at a very unseasonable hour last Thursday, 7 o'clock in the morning. Oh "ye gods and little fishes," how the folks must have shivered. The bride was Miss Hattie Locke, daughter of the late J. Locke, of Lockeport, N. S. Rev. W. B. King performed the ceremony. The bride was becomingly attired in a dark brown braided coat with hat to match, her sister who accompanied her wore a pretty terra cotta colored dress, trimmed with black braid and hat to correspond. The couple have gone to Washington, and on their return will receive their guests at their new home on Birmingham street.

Miss Courtney has been suffering from La Grippe too, and still they come.

Miss Bowman has been spending a few weeks with Mrs. McCawley, Queen street.

Miss King, of Windsor, has been visiting Mrs. D. Hastings Freeman.

Mr. Hastings Freeman has returned to town.

There is no flock in our town, just now, however watched and tended, but one sick lamb is there, and the dry goods merchants say the mild winter was making trade so dull that they would certainly have been obliged to close their places of business had it not been that the unprecedented demand for pocket handkerchiefs has given a fill-up to business, and proved the ill wind which blew somebody good. People are hearing their ills cheerfully, as a rule, and Mr. McTapley-like, are jolly under adverse circumstances.

Whist and bread and butter parties go on as usual, and if a sudden explosion of sneezes scatters the cards in the hand of some convalescent nobody minds. Of course, it is a little awkward to have your partner in the mazy waltz sneeze unexpectedly

down the back of your neck, but such little accidents will sometimes happen during an epidemic like the present one.

A few visitors still come and go. Miss Hyde, of Truro, is visiting Miss Cooke.

Mrs. Dusan, of Dartmouth, spent a few days in town this week, with her friend Miss Harris. Miss Dusan was on her way to visit friends in Quebec, and left yesterday.

Mrs. F. W. Bell, of St. John, is spending some days in town, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Borden. She is accompanied by her little daughter, Mrs. Bell, as Miss Rowe, was a great favorite in Moncton society, and her many friends are always delighted to welcome her on the too-rare occasions when she visits our town.

I must not neglect to mention another epidemic which has engulfed Moncton with its dark mantle. It is called political controversy, and confines its attacks chiefly to the male portion of society; so that the man who has enough time to spare from the pressing duty of using his handkerchief, is quite sure to spend his waking hours in talking politics. And I really don't know which is the worse complaint.

Mrs. George McCreaney, accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Leturgie, left town on Friday, for Boston, where they intend spending some weeks.

The Hon. D. L. Hanington is in town today! In fact he is in town on most fine days now. He is very fond of us, all, and puts us on the head liberally—and conservatively. Mr. Hanington is an immense favorite with the ladies, and I fancy the fair sex will be largely represented at the meeting this evening. Whisper it low, the dear souls are credited with being inconsistent themselves, and as the general impression seems to be that Mr. Hanington has been a little inconsistent lately, they take all the more interest in him.

Mrs. C. J. Butcher is still numbered amongst our invalids. She and Miss Weldon were amongst the very first to succumb to the prevailing cold, and it has clung to them most persistently. Miss Weldon has been confined to the house for some weeks and is still a prisoner.

Little Miss Mamie Cooke, who has been having such a serious time of it for some weeks past, is really a little better, but still a sick weak.

The Rev. Father Meahan certainly takes a high rank among our most popular clergymen. His congregation presented him with a beautiful parlor set of pink-covered books, and I fancy the fair sex will be largely represented at the meeting this evening. The genial and kindly Father seems to be literally idolized by his people.

Mr. H. A. Powell, barrister, of Sackville, paid a short visit to Moncton, Saturday.

Mrs. C. P. Harris gave a small but very pleasant whist party, at her home on Steadman street, last Friday evening. Mrs. Harris' parties are always successful, and this was no exception to the general rule.

The Rev. E. B. Hooper, of Weldford, paid a short visit to Moncton Saturday.

Miss Thomson, daughter of Mr. C. D. Thomson, of the I. C. R., is at home again, after her long visit to St. John. Her friends are delighted to see her back and hope she has come to stay.

Mr. Will Cooke, who has been spending his Christmas holidays at his home in Moncton, returned on Monday night to Kingston military college.

Mr. W. C. Milner of Sackville, spent a short time in Moncton on Saturday.

The East end whist club met last night and spent a most enjoyable evening at the house of Mrs. E. S. Triles, of Church street.

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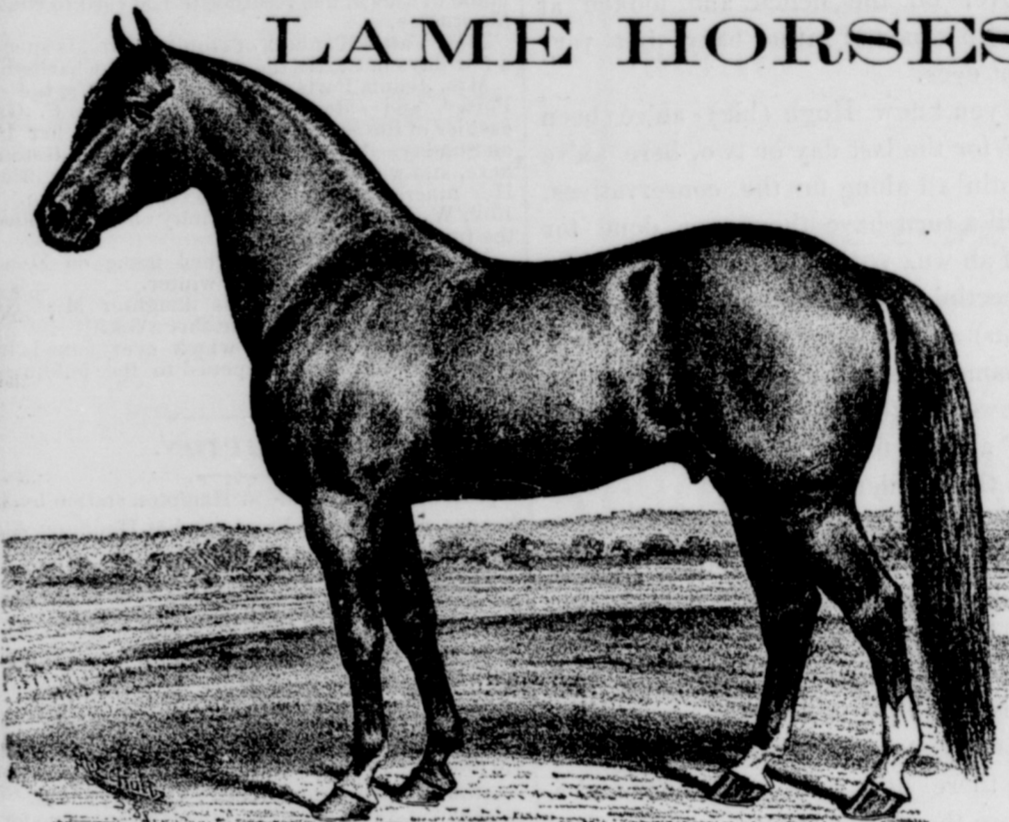
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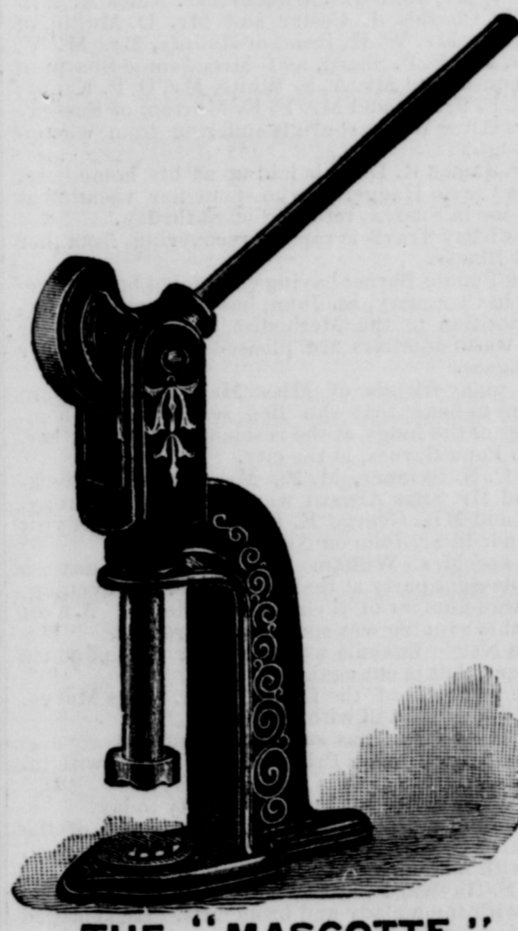
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